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TSUD RECORDS LOW LOAN DEFAULT RATE

According to a memorandum from Joseph T. Sutton, Executive Director of the Alabama Commission on Higher Education, TSUD recorded one of the lowest default rates of all participating schools in the Alabama Guaranteed Student Loan Program (AGSLP) for the 1988 fiscal year.

TSUD was ranked 89 on the list of 116 Alabama colleges and universities with a default rate of 1.67%. The highest default rate was scored by Debbie's Alabama Beauty College at 54.55%. TSUM was 47 on the list with a default rate of 12.66% and TSU-T recorded a 9.47% rate of default and was listed as number 65.

According to the October 20 memorandum, the fiscal year default rates are calculated in accordance with the definition in the June 5, 1989 FEDERAL REGISTER, 34 CFR Part 668.15. This definition divides the number of defaults in the period of two fiscal years by the number of borrowers entering repayment in the first of the two fiscal years.

Sutton states in the memorandum that 85 (73%) of the Alabama colleges and universities listed experienced a decrease in their

default rates between fiscal year 1987 and fiscal year 1988, while only 31 institutions recorded an increase. According to the statistics listed in Sutton's memorandum, TSUD experienced an 8.33% decrease in its default rate from 1987 to 1988.

TSUD HOSTS AREA ACT WORKSHOP

Approximately 60 area high school and junior college counselors gathered in TSUD's ballroom for the American College Testing (ACT) Regional Workshop. This workshop is presented annually to update area counselors on the ACT assessment and financial aid services. Mrs. Courtney Hardyman, Mrs. Pamela Williamson, and Dr. Debbie Goodman worked with ACT personnel to plan the workshop.

This year's workshop was particularly important as the ACT Assessment has been enhanced to reflect the major changes occurring in high school curricula. Mr. Frank Potter, Assistant Director of Assessment Services for the ACT's Southeast Regional Office, was on hand to acquaint participants with the advantages of the new ACT Assessment and the related reporting and research services.

Mr. Potter provided participants with up-to-date information on ap-

plying for financial aid to colleges for 1990-91 including: how the delivery system works; required changes to the Family Financial Statement; a review of a new "worksheet;" and the updated/revised student output document. Also included in the discussion was the latest information concerning early financial planning for college.

Education Specialist Dr. Sam Shipper of the Guidance and Counseling Division of the State Department of Education assisted participants with questions about the ACT Assessment as specifically related to the state of Alabama.

TSUD CO-SPONSORS TELLER VISIT

Over 200 people crowded into a lecture room at George C. Wallace State Community College to hear eminent nuclear physicist Dr. Edward Teller discuss "Nuclear Energy in the Twenty-first Century." Dr. Teller's visit was jointly sponsored by TSUD, Wallace College, and TSU-T.

Dr. Teller lives in Berkeley, California, where he serves the University of California as Director Emeritus of Lawrence Livermore Laboratory. He is also a consultant on the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI) to the Department of Defense and President Bush.

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The 81-year-old nuclear physicist is perhaps best known as one of the scientists whose work resulted in the development of the atom bomb and later the hydrogen bomb.

During the course of his 40-minute address, Dr. Teller, a strong proponent of nuclear energy, was most emphatic on several points: the greenhouse effect will continue to increase unless the use of fossil fuels is cut drastically and something is done about the destruction of the world's rain forests; nuclear fission is the practical source of electricity for the future; and the danger from nuclear energy is negligible.

Accompanying Dr. Teller on his Dothan trip were Dr. Eugene Omasta, TSU-T physics professor; Dr. Jack Hawkins, Jr., Chancellor of the TSU system; Dr. Edward Barnett, Vice President for Academic Affairs for TSU-T; Dr. Doug Patterson, Assistant to the Chancellor for Special Projects; and Representative Jimmy Holley.

A TSUD sponsored dinner honoring Dr. Teller and was held before the program at Mr. J's Family Steakhouse.

A video tape of Dr. Teller's presentation is available in the ETSC.

NEW CAMPUS UPDATE

According to TSUD officials, the University will not move to its new campus facilities during the month of December. Classes will meet in Houston Hall and the surrounding facilities as usual during the 1990 winter quarter.

ACTIVITIES OF THE PRESIDENT

- Participated in Council of President's meeting in Montgomery September 28.
- Attended Mayor Saliba's swearing-in ceremonies - October 2.

- Met with Dr. Eugene Omasta of TSU-T and Dr. Nathan Hodges of Wallace College to plan visit of Dr. Edward Teller which was co-sponsored by TSU-T, TSUD, and Wallace College - October 2.

- Attended Faculty Advisory Council meeting - October 4.

- Presided at TSUD Administrative Council meeting - October 6.

- Met with Dr. Jack Hawkins and Dr. Doug Patterson for briefing session on TSUD - October 9.

- Participated in SouthTrust Development Board meeting - October 10.

- Attended TSU Board of Trustees meeting in Troy and made presentation on TSUD - October 20.

- Attended TSU Homecoming activities in Troy - October 21.

- Attended Houston County Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities Annual Recognition Luncheon - October 23.

- Attended dinner in Dothan for Dr. William Teller and attended Dr. Teller's lecture at Wallace College - October 23.

- Guest speaker at Phi Delta Kappa dinner meeting - October 24.

- Welcomed area counselors attending ACT Regional Workshop held at TSUD - October 26.

BIRTHDAYS

November

- 2 Ms. Gaye Peacock
- 7 Mrs. Sandra Faria
- 10 Mrs. Pamela Williamson
- 13 Dr. Eugene Bergquist
- 25 Mrs. Nanne Cutler
- 26 Mrs. Dorothy Anderson
- 28 Dr. Elizabeth Fell

December

- 3 Dr. John Hayman
- 3 Mrs. Cindy Halcomb
- 5 Mrs. Laurette Long
- 5 Mrs. Diana Parker
- 6 Dr. Priscilla McArthur
- 6 Dr. Ray Swords
- 9 Mrs. Reta Cordell
- 12 Dr. Patricia Fritchie
- 25 Mrs. Stephanie Elliot
- 30 Mrs. Gayle Oberst

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

As a part of the Read Alabama! program, **DR. ALAN BELSCHES** gave four lectures on Walker Percy's *The Last Gentlemen* and modern Alabama literature during the month of September at the Troy Public Library. Dr. Belsches also gave four lectures on Harper Lee's *To Kill a Mockingbird* and recent Alabama literature at the Newton Public Library. He was recently asked to lecture at the Houston County Public Library on four plays which will be performed at the Montgomery Shakespeare Festival. Dr. Belsches will contribute an article on teaching Douglas Bailey's *Devil Make a Third* to the winter issue of Alabama English.

DR. KHAMIS BILBEISI and Dr. Debbie Goodman met with Ansell representative Shirley Gouge on October 23 to determine specific applications for a Lotus training program for Ansell employees. The training program will be held at TSUD November 13-16.

During the month of October, **DR. LARRY BROWN** attended a humanities grant workshop in Auburn, a Dun and Bradstreet workshop entitled "Managing Multiple Priorities" in Montgomery, and a geography workshop at Oak Mountain. On October 23-26 he participated in the State Department Review Team U.S.A. in Mobile.

MRS. JONUA BYRD attended a Dothan High School career day where she spoke to the students concerning financial aid. She also spoke to the counselors attending the October 26 ACT workshop.

MRS. SANDRA CARTER represented TSUD at the United Way meeting on October 20 and attended the ACT workshop on October 26.

On October 23-24, **DR. ANN EASLEY** represented TSUD at the fall meeting of the Alabama Association of Colleges for Teacher Education held at Guntersville State Park. **DR. ELIZABETH FELL** attended "Founder's Day" conducted by Beta Pi, Alpha Delta Kappa on October 10 and on the 13th she co-presented "Classroom Management: Planning, Prevention, Intervention, and Managing Mainstreaming." She will present "Creative Writing Factory" in early December.

During the month of October, **DR. PATRICIA FRITCHIE** met with Landmark Park officials to plan "Kaleidoscope 1990"; conducted a make and take workshop, "Holiday Games to Reinforce Reading Skills and Cultural Awareness," at TSUD; presented an inservice workshop, "Story Telling and Early Literacy Behaviors," at Evergreen Presbyterian Pre-School in Dothan; presented "Fun After Fifty" at an Adults Plus program held at Wallace; and served as advisor/coordinator for the Wiregrass Reading Association's Peanut Festival Display "A Peanut Reunion" constructed by TSUD Education majors. Dr. Fritchie attended the Alabama Reading Association's annual fall conference in Huntsville where she was a presenter and introduced speakers. In addition, she presided over the Leadership Breakfast workshop. While at the conference, she was appointed program chairperson for the 1990 fall conference.

On October 9, **DR. J. WYATT GRIMMER** attended a Rotary Club meeting to hear Chancellor Hawkins speak. Also on that date, he participated in the Chancellor's briefing. In the latter part of October, Dr. Grimmer met with the School of Education Advisory Committee, attended a meeting of the TSU Board of Trustees, and met with the Vice Presidents for Academic Affairs from TSU-T and TSUM to discuss academic programs.

DR. WILLIAM HUMPHREY attended the Alabama Reading Association's twenty-second annual fall conference in Huntsville. Dr. Humphrey reports that the theme of the conference was "Launching the Future - The Year of the Young Reader." Various leaders from the national and state levels provided information and discussed techniques for teaching reading and writing.

DR. MILDRED KOGER attended the American Psychological Association Convention in New Orleans taking a special interest in the school psychology meetings. Dr. Koger is on the education committee for the Arts and Humanities Council which is chaired by Dr. Shoaf. Dr. Koger is currently serving as Sub-Dean for the Dothan Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

Early in the month, **MRS. DIANE MURPHY** led seminar training sessions for Dothan City Schools Special Education Paraprofessionals; worked with Dr. Martha Barton, Dr. Jack Sasser, and Dr. John Hayman on an IBM grant; attended a SACS Elementary Committee workshop; and led two sessions with prospective administrators and administrators of

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the Barbour County School System. Mrs. Murphy has also continued to work with the Lisenby PTA Executive Council; volunteered at the Claybank Jamboree in Ozark; co-presented a classroom management seminar; attended a meeting of the School of Education Advisory Council; and participated in the celebration of the 100th birthday of the M.O. Carroll-Newton Company. In addition, Mrs. Murphy presented "Higher Order Thinking Skills," a seminar, to the secondary teachers in Barbour County.

DR. MARY JO POLLMAN'S activities for the month of October include: three presentations at the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) in Atlanta entitled, "Children of Alcoholics: Understanding Their Needs" and "Alternatives to Testing Young Children: Dissemination and Implementation of Appropriate Curriculum Strategies"; a Wiregrass Association for Young Children meeting in Dothan; and an Alabama Association for Young Children meeting in Birmingham. In addition, Dr. Pollman will serve as a panelist for a NAEYC testing seminar.

The Journal of Correctional Education recently informed **DR. LEONARD ROBERTS** that his research article, "Inmate Education in Florida's 19th Century Penal System: A Failure of Good Intentions," was approved for publication in its December 1989 issue. On October 5, Dr. Roberts appeared on WTVY's *The Morning Show* to discuss a continuing education course and on the 7th he addressed the Dothan Wiregrass Art League on "Art Through the Ages." He has also agreed to review a Foundations

of Education project for Merrill Publishing Company.

DR. MARY EVE SHOAF judged the Claybank Jamboree art show; attended a meeting of the Houston Arts and Humanities council; received a plaque and congratulatory letter from the National Guild of Piano Teachers for being chosen Faculty Member of the American College of Musicians; and attended SEACT's performance of "Camelot." On October 13, Dr. Shoaf worked outside of Walmart for the Knights of Columbia's Tootsie Roll Drive to benefit the handicapped and crippled children of Dothan.

Included in **DR. JACK R. SUBLETTE'S** October activities are: a Rotary Club meeting where Chancellor Hawkins spoke; Chancellor Hawkin's briefing at TSUD; a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Enterprise Public Library; a School of Education Advisory Council meeting; a meeting of the TSU System Board of Trustees; a dinner for and lecture by Dr. Edward Teller; a meeting with TSU System officials; and a meeting with Dr. Ellis, consultant to the TSU System. Dr. Sublette also attended a Chapter IX meeting of the Alabama Association for Counseling and Development, where he and his wife, Beverly, were named co-editors of the Chapter IX newsletter.

Dr. ELIZABETH VAN LOO participated in a crisis intervention program sponsored by the Health Council for the youth and parents at First United Methodist Church and at Houston Academy. She attended "Stress in Children" held at TSUD; appeared on WTVY's *The Morning Show*; conducted a program in conjunction with Southeast

Alabama Youth Services; organized and participated in a suicide prevention program for Abbeville High School students; and participated in the writing of a FIPSE preliminary grant proposal. In addition, Dr. Van Loo participated in a panel discussion on the "Place of Religion in the Care of the Terminally Ill" for a volunteer training program in hospice care.

MR. FRANK WALKER attended a Network of Alabama Academic Libraries Advisory Council meeting where he was appointed to the publications committee. He also attended an advisory council meeting for the Alabama Institute for the Deaf and Blind.

MR. TONY WHETSTONE judged marching band competitions in Covington, GA., Opp, AL., and Mobile, AL. Also in October, he performed in the SEACT Orchestra for the production of Camelot and attended an ENABLE software workshop in Montgomery.

MRS. PAMELA WILLIAMSON spoke to the First United Methodist Singles Ministry on "How to Re-Enter the Job Market"; taught sessions for Continuing Education's E-ACT workshop; and spoke to ZONTA International concerning International Students at TSUD.

NEWS FROM...

THE OFFICE OF COUNSELING SERVICES

The Office of Counseling Services hosted an Alcohol Awareness booth for TSUD students on October 17. Information regarding the laws in the state of Alabama on drinking and driving were made available. Red Ribbon Day was held on-cam-

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pus on the 25th. Lapel ribbons were distributed and information regarding drug abuse was made available. Counseling Services, in conjunction with the Recruiting Office, and Continuing Education hosted the area ACT Workshop for high school counselors on October 26.

THE COURTESY COMMITTEE

During the month of October, the TSUD Courtesy Committee participated in the following activities:

- *visited and sent card and plant to Dr. Joseph Van Loo.

- *sent get well card to Dr. Leonard Roberts' mother.

- *sent card and money to Mrs. Chambers whose home was destroyed by fire.

- *sent card and baby gift to Courtney Hardyman.

- *sent get well card to Sarah Love.

THE LIBRARY

The Network of Alabama Academic Libraries (NAAL) Executive Council approved the TSUD Library's 1989-90 collection development grant proposal at its meeting in October. The grant is to continue collection development in Education (L) and Psychology (BF) and to begin development in Science and Mathematics (Q-QA)